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IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A television program selection system, comprising:

a grid having a plurality of windows of television programs slotted for a particular time and channel, said grid containing key frame images for each program of said television programs in respective windows of said plurality of windows; and

means to select an area within the grid for one of the slotted programs one window of said plurality of windows to reveal a sequential showing of respective key frame images for the slotted program within said area of one program associated with the one window, while remaining windows of said plurality of windows continue to display previously displayed images of said key frame images, wherein the sequential showing represents a continuum of

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the ~~slotted one~~ program as it progresses.

2. (Previously Presented) The television program selection system in accordance with Claim 1, wherein said key frame images are invoked in said sequential showing follows the story line of the program.

3. (Original) The television program selection system in accordance with Claim 1, wherein one of said key frame images is highlighted.

4. (Original) The television program selection system in accordance with Claim 1, wherein said key frame images comprise at least one sound byte.

5. (Original) The television program selection system in accordance with Claim 1, wherein said key frame images comprise a textual message.

6. (Original) The television program selection system in

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accordance with Claim 3, wherein said highlighted key frame image is most indicative of the theme of the program.

7.(Original) The television program selection system in accordance with Claim 3, wherein said highlighted key frame image comprise a single color.

8.(Original) The television program selection system in accordance with Claim 3, wherein said highlighted key frame image comprises a bright border.

9.(Original) The television program selection system in accordance with Claim 3, wherein said highlighted key frame image comprises a sound bite.

10.(Currently Amended) A method of selecting a preferred television program from a plurality of television programs, comprising the steps-acts of:

a) ~~choosing a specific program from a display of a plurality of programs, wherein each of the plurality of programs has an area~~

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~~with indicia for that program textually described programs; and~~

b) ~~displaying said specific program as a sequence of key frame images for said specific program within the area while continuing to display remaining ones of said textually described programs,~~ wherein the sequence of key frame images represents a continuum of the slotted program as it progresses.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of selecting a preferred television program in accordance with Claim 10, wherein said display of key frame images in accordance with ~~step (b) the displaying act~~ sequentially follows the story line of said specific program and at least one of said key frame images is highlighted.

12. (Original) The television program selection method in accordance with Claim 10, wherein said key frame images comprise at least one sound bite.

13. (Original) The television program selection method in accordance with Claim 10, wherein said key frame images comprise a textual message.

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14. (Original) The television program selection method in accordance with Claim 11, wherein said at least one highlighted key frame image is most indicative of the theme of the program.

15. (Original) The television program selection method in accordance with Claim 11, wherein said at least one highlighted key frame image comprises a single color.

16. (Original) The television program selection method in accordance with Claim 11, wherein said at least one highlighted key frame image comprises a bright border.

17. (Original) The television program selection method in accordance with Claim 11, wherein said at least one highlighted key frame image comprises a sound bite.

18. (Currently Amended) A television program selection system, comprising a grid of windows including television programs slotted for a particular time and channel, said grid displaying a plurality

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of key frame images of each television program ~~within a plurality of areas within the grid, wherein selection of a slotted program selected by a television viewer results in a sequence of wherein the key frame images representing represents a continuum of the slotted program as it progresses to be displayed in the area for the slotted program, and wherein a selected program of said television programs is displayed as a sequence of key frame images, while remaining ones of said windows continue to be displayed.~~

19. (Original) The television program selection system in accordance with Claim 18, wherein each selected television program comprises a sound bite.

20. (Previously Presented) The television program selection system in accordance with Claim 18, wherein said sequence follows the storyline of that particular program.

21. (New) The television program selection system in accordance with Claim 1, wherein said sequential showing of said respective key frame images of said one program includes flashing

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images of said respective key frame images.

22. (New) The television program selection system in accordance with Claim 1, wherein said grid is displayed on a remote controller of the television program selection system.